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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Gaetano Santoruvo et al.  
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MICROMECHANICAL APPLICATIONS

Examiner : Leonid M. Fastovsky  
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2004, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on July 19, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.